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REVISION OF HIGH ALTITUDE ALLOWANCE FOR SOLDIERS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether high altitude allowance for troops operating at certain altitudes was granted in 1962;

(b) whether it was made mandatory that this allowance would be subjected to revision every alternate year; and

(c) if so, the number of times the special allowance has been revised so far since then?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c): No, Sir. However, since 1962, the rates of this allowance have been revised six times, in 1968, 1970, 1973, 1993, 1997 and 1999.